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HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of States/Central Universities, deemed Universities and institutes of national importance established by Central legislation;

(b) the extent to which the objectives of the Tenth Five Year Plan to enroll 10 percent population has been achieved so far;

(c) the details of the funds provided by the Government for such Universities/Institutes during 2006-07;

(d) whether there is any proposal to have a more rational fee structure and allow universities to use their land as a source of finance to make them independent;

(e) if so, the details thereof;

(f) whether the Government proposes to change in the policy regarding education system by setting up a National-level School Regulatory Authority, Autonomous Higher Education Regulatory Authority and introducing teaching of English from Class I; and

(g) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (Smt. D. PURANDESWARI)

(a) Information is at Annexure − A.

(b): The Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER) in Higher Education in respect of the relevant Age Group (18-23 years) is estimated at 9.1 percent. This ratio is estimated to be close to 10 percent inclusive of the enrolment in the Open and Distance Learning System of Higher Education.

(c): During the year 2006-07, a sum of Rs.2388.41 crore was provided by the UGC to Universities/ institutions eligible under Section 2(f) and 12(B) of the University Grants Commission Act, 1956.

(d) & (e): The fee structure is determined by each institution, The CABE Committee on Financing of Higher Education has recommended that the upper desirable limit of student fee as on percentage of Revenue should not be more than 20 percent. There is no proposal for allowing Universities to commercially exploit land resources.

(f) No, Sir.

(g) Does not arise.